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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF CODE 210 GRANTEES UEKI AND HEAD OF NUCLEBRAS.

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1. EMBASSY NOMINATES MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY SHIGEAKI UEKI, NEW HEAD OF NUCLEBRAS (WHEN HE IS DESIGNATED), AND ONE OTHER SENIOR OFFICIAL WHOM UEKI AND WE WILL SELECT. THIRD PERSON MIGHT BE NUCLEAR SCIENTIST. POST WILL BE ABLE TO FINANCE FROM ITS LEADER PROGRAM TWO OF THESE GRANTS. AMBASSADOR REQUESTS THAT CU PROVIDE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO COVER GRANT FOR THIRD PERSON IN UEKI PARTY.

2. BECAUSE OF UEKI'S AND NUCLEBRAS HEAD'S POSITION AND IMPORTANCE, ALL GRANTEES SHOULD BE ACCORDED A) VIP TREATMENT AND FIRST-CLASS DOMESTIC AND INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL, AND B) STAY OF ONLY TEN TO FOURTEEN DAYS BE PERMITTED INSTEAD OF USUAL 30 DAYS.

3. AS DEPARTMENT KNOWS, UEKI, AND EXTREMELY CAPABLE OFFICIAL, PLAYS MAJOR ROLE IN FORMULATION OF GEISEL ADMINISTRATION'S POLICY IN NUCLEAR AREA; IF INVITATION IS ACCEPTED, HE AND HIS PARTY SHOULD BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY OF SUBSTANTIVE, IN-DEPTH EXCHANGES ON US AND BRAZILIAN POLICY WITH TOP ADMINISTRATION FIGURES CONCERNED WITH ENERGY POLICY, INCLUDING SECRETARY OF STATE OR

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DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE, SECRETARIES OF TREASURY, INTERIOR, AND COMMERCE, AND ADMINISTRATORS OF ERDA, NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION, AND FEDERAL ENRGY ADMINISTRATION. UEKI SHOULD BE GIVEN OPPORTUNITY TO OBSERVE NUCLEAR FACILITIES RELATED TO BRAZIL'S REQUIREMENTS.

4. AS UEKI DEPARTED NOV 19 FOR MIDEAST, AND NEW HEAD OF NUCLEBRAS NOT YET APPOINTED, VISIT COULD NOT TAKE PLACE BEFORE MID-JANUARY. THE AMBASSADOR WILL DISCUSS INITIATIVE FURTHER DURING HIS CONSULTATION IN WASHINGTON.

5. STAFF INTERPRETER AND ESCORT REQUESTED.

6. EMBASSY WISHES EXTEND OFFICIAL LETTER OF INVITATION TO UEKI UPON HIS RETURN TO BRASILIA IN EARLY DECEMBER AND TO NEW HEAD OF NUCLEBRAS AFTER APPOINTMENT.
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